



# PIPELINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER

527 East Capitol Avenue, Springfield, Illinois 62701

## 2009 Rend Lake Small Operator Conference

The ICC Pipeline Safety Program and the American Public Gas Association, Security and Integrity foundation will be hosting a small gas operator's conference at the Rend Lake Resort in Whittington, IL September 2nd and 3rd, 2009.

On day 1 of the conference representatives from the APGA SIF and ICC will be partnering to present a new program being made available to small gas system operators. The information provided is intended to allow operators insight toward participation with successful, reduced stress regulatory inspections. The program includes valuable information designed to aid new employees and experienced operators. Mayors and City Council members are encouraged to attend this conference to enhance their understanding of the day-to-day regulatory demands placed on the operators of publically owned natural gas distribution systems.

Day 2 will focus on requirements relating to natural gas incident investigation and reporting. ICC Staff will also discuss compliance relating issues frequently identified during compliance inspections conducted over the past year.

The APGA SIF will also be demonstrating the program currently under development intended to assist operators with the development of a Distribution Integrity Management Program. The program is commonly referred to as the "SHRIMP" project. The development of this electronic data capture program is being funded by a grant from the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration and will be provided to small natural gas system operators free of charge.

A registration form is included on the last page of this newsletter. Registration is required to attend this conference.

**NOTICE:** This Conference has been moved to the Resort. It is no longer at the Golf Course.



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## ICC 2009 Holiday Calendar

The ICC Offices will be closed on the following dates in 2009:

July 3 - Friday - Independence Day

September 7 - Monday - Labor Day

October 12 - Monday - Columbus Day

November 11 - Wednesday - Veterans Day

November 26-27 - Thanksgiving Holiday

December 25 - Friday - Christmas Day

## Operation and Maintenance Plan Updates

Many of the small operators in Illinois rely on consultants to review and revise Operation and Maintenance Plans ("O&M"). The O&M review is required annually. The use of a consultant to perform the review and revisions is acceptable provided that the operator is aware of and understands the new requirements. It appears that several operators are not fully aware of the contents their O&M Plans. When revisions are made, each operator is required to file the revised plan with the ICC. In the interest of conservation, our office will accept revisions to O&M Plans in electronic format.

When providing submissions in electronic format please provide the entire O&M Plan on compact discs. Please include a summary of revisions.

If you choose to continue hard copy submissions, please include instructions as to where each revision is to be placed in the O&M Plan. If materials are to be replaced or removed please identify the items by section and page numbers if applicable.

## Public Awareness

American Petroleum Institute Recommended Practice 1162 ("RP 1162") addresses the requirements of an acceptable Public Awareness ("PA") Program. The RP 1162 contains specific requirements for notification of various stakeholders. We are reminding operators that all notification requirements included in the RP 1162 document should be included in the operators PA Program plan. The ICC Pipeline Safety Program will be requesting documentation required to verify that notification activities have been conducted as required.

## New Pipeline Safety Staff

### **Joseph (Joe) Camerer**

Joe Camerer has joined the ICC Pipeline Safety Staff. Joe was previously employed by Ameren CIPS as a Journeyman Welder. Prior to working for Ameren, Joe worked with his father performing pipeline construction and maintenance services to natural gas systems in Missouri and Illinois.

## Anti-drug Testing Programs

In 2008 the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration ("PHMSA") requested that State programs conduct complete reviews of all operator anti-drug and alcohol testing programs. PHMSA had planned to provide an updated checklist to be used during the review process. PHMSA has experienced delays with the release of the new inspection checklist. The use of the checklist is essential to determine compliance with CFR Part 192 and Part 40. Once the revisions are released, Staff will perform the reviews.

Operators are encouraged to review your programs to verify compliance with current regulations. All anti-drug sample testing must be conducted by a PHMSA approved laboratory. Additional information such as approved testing laboratories can be found at:

<http://www.dot.gov/ost/dapc/labs.html>.

## Pipeline Safety Webpage

The ICC Pipeline Safety Program has a webpage. We periodically post items of interest to operators, such as links to Advisory Notices, Notices of Proposed Rulemakings, Final Rules, etc.

To access the webpage go to:

<http://www.icc.illinois.gov/pipelinesafety>

## **2009 Operator / Inspector Listing**

### **Public Utilities**

**Alliant Energy—**  
Watts

### **Ameren Companies—**

**Ameren CILCO**

**Ameren CIPS**

**Ameren IP**

**Ameren Services**

Watts - Gribbins - Stewart

Ketchum - Smith

### **ATMOS Energy -**

Gribbins - Watts - Kern -Ketchum

**Cairo Public Utility -** Gribbins

**Consumers Gas -** Gribbins

**Illinois Gas Company -** Smith

**MidAmerican Energy -** Stewart

**Mt. Carmel Public Util. -** Gribbins

**North Shore Gas -** Watts

**Nicor Gas -** Hankins - Kern

**Peoples Energy -** Smith - Watts

### **Municipal Systems**

Aledo - Stewart

Anna - Ketchum

Auburn – Hankins

Belle Rive - Gribbins

Bethany - Stewart

Bluford - Gribbins

Bushnell - Kern

Casey - Stewart

Chester - Smith

Cisne - Stewart

Clay City - Stewart

Cobden - Ketchum

Creal Springs - Gribbins

Crossville - Smith

Dahlgren - Stewart

Divernon – Hankins

Dupo - Smith

Edinburg - Kern

Enfield - Ketchum

Equality - Gribbins

Fairfield - Stewart

Findlay - Stewart

Flat Rock - Smith

Flora - Stewart

Franklin - Watts

Geff - Stewart

Grand Tower - Smith

Grayville - Smith

Greenup - Smith

Jonesboro - Gribbins

Karnak - Gribbins

Louisville - Gribbins

Marshall - Stewart

Martinsville - Stewart

McLeansboro - Ketchum

Milford - Stewart

Morton - Hankins

Nashville - Smith

New Boston - Stewart

Norris City - Smith

Pawnee - Kern

Pinckneyville - Smith

Pittsburg - Gribbins

Pittsfield - Hankins

Pleasant Hill - Hankins

Rantoul - Gribbins

Red Bud - Smith

Riverton - Hankins

Roodhouse - Hankins

Rossville - Stewart

Salem - Smith

Shawneetown - Gribbins

Sims - Ketchum

Stonington - Kern

Sullivan - Kern

Tamms - Gribbins

Thebes - Gribbins

Toledo - Stewart

Vienna – Ketchum

Waterloo - Smith

Waverly - Hankins

Wayne City - Ketchum

Westville - Stewart

White Hall - Hankins

Winchester –Kern

### **Master Metered Systems**

Alexander County Housing - Gribbins

Franklin County Housing - Gribbins

Greene County Housing - Smith

Massac County Housing - Ketchum

Peoria Housing - Gribbins

Pulaski County Housing - Ketchum

Saline County Housing - Ketchum

So. Illinois University, Edwardsville - Smith

Union County Housing - Ketchum

University of Illinois - Watts

White County Housing - Smith

Williamson County Housing - Ketchum

### **Intrastate Transmission**

Aux Sable Liquid Products—Watts

Center Ethanol Company—Kern

Citation Oil & Gas Corp.—Gribbins

Dynegy-Kendall Energy—Watts

Egyptian Storage, Ridgeway - Hankins

Ellwood Energy—Watts

Lincoln Generating Facility—Watts

Noble Energy—Watts

Gallagher Drilling - Hankins

Grayson Hill Farms - Hankins

Illinois Gas Transmission - Watts

Marathon Petroleum—Kern

Prairieland Pipeline - Smith

Southern Illinois Power Co - Smith

Reliant Energy—Watts

United States Steel Corp.—Watts

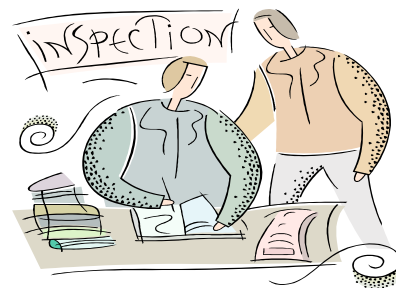
University of Illinois Lateral - Watts

University Park Energy—Watts

### **Co-op's**

Jo Carroll Energy - Ketchum

Rock Energy - Ketchum



# 2009 REND LAKE CONFERENCE

September 2 & 3, 2009

Registration at 8:00 a.m. Conference starts at 8:30 a.m.

**Rend Lake Resort & Conference Center**

**11712 East Windy Drive, Whittington, IL 62897**

**800-633-3341 or 618-629-2211**

Hotel Reservations: Rend Lake Resort OR Seasons at Rend Lake 618-629-2600 (By Golf Course)

The Block of Rooms are being held under the name of "IL Pipeline Safety".

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Attendee(s):

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Seminar Fee: \$35.00 - Per Person

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

(Make checks payable to: **IL PIPELINE SAFETY**)

Mail Registration Form and Payment by **August 24, 2009** to:

Illinois Commerce Commission

Attn: Nancy Standridge

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